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TO AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

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FROM REGIONAL LABATT

EO 11652: N/A DECON 3/6/76

TAGS: ELAB XF

SUBJECT: ARAB LABOR MEETINGS AT TRIPOLI

1. UNDERSTAND THAT ARAB FEDERATION OF PETROLEUM WORKERS HELD MEETING AT TRIPOLI ON FEB 20-21. ACCORDING TO SECOND-HAND INFO PROVIDED BY LOCAL UNION SOURCES (NO LEBANESE ATTENDED MEETING), MAJOR ACCOMPLISHMENT WAS ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS. EGYPTIAN (ANWAR ASHMAWI) REPLACED EGYPTIAN (ALI SAYED ALI) AS GENERAL SECRETARY. WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFO EMBASSY COULD PROVIDE FROM PRESS OR OTHER SOURCES REGARDING IDENTITY OF PARTICIPANTS, POLITICAL SUBJECTS DISCUSSED AND FINAL RESOLUTIONS THAT EMERGED FROM MEETING.

2. WITH REGARD TO 4TH CONGRESS OF ARAB LABOR ORGANIZATION (ALO) CURRENTLY UNDERWAY AT TRIPOLI, WOULD PARTICULARLY APPRECIATE ANY INFO DEVELOPED CONCERNING POSSIBLE ARAB STRATEGY AT FORTHCOMING ILO CONFERENCE AS WELL AS FINAL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED. MUCH OF CONGRESS WILL LIKELY BE DEVOTED TO INTERNAL MATTERS--FINANCES, PROGRAM OF ALO ACTIVITIES, INTER-ARAB COOPERATION AND DISCUSSION OF COMMON PROBLEMS IN LABOR FIELD. ACCORDING TO MY LEBANESE CON-

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TACTS, THERE MAY BE EFFORT BY MASHREQ ARABS TO UNSEAT DIRECTOR

GENERAL DR. TAYEB LAHDIRI, AN ALGERIAN WITH A KNACK FOR HIGH-HANDEDNESS IN HIS DEALINGS WITH ALO STAFF AND ARAB GOVERNMENTS ALIKE. UNLESS ENOUGH DELS UNITE BEHIND ANOTHER CANDIDATE (WHICH I DOUBT), HOWEVER, EFFORT WILL PROBABLY DIE IN CORRIDORS.  
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